

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

(Legislative Day of Friday, September 28, 2018)

Routine Proceedings, pages S6401–S6416

Measures Introduced: Three bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3533–3535, and S. Res. 663–664. **Page S6413**

Measures Reported:

S. Res. 481, calling upon the leadership of the Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea to dismantle its labor camp system, with an amendment.

S. Res. 602, supporting the agreement between Prime Minister Tsipras of Greece and Prime Minister Zaev of Macedonia to resolve longstanding bilateral disputes, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute and with an amended preamble.

S. Res. 634, commemorating the 70th anniversary of the Berlin Airlift and honoring the veterans of Operation Vittles, and with an amended preamble. **Page S6413**

Measures Passed:

STB Information Security Improvement Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 4921, to require the Surface Transportation Board to implement certain recommendations of the Inspector General of the Department of Transportation, and the bill was then passed. **Page S6415**

National Hydrogen and Fuel Cell Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 664, designating October 8, 2018, as “National Hydrogen and Fuel Cell Day”. **Page S6415**

House Messages:

Sports Medicine Licensure Clarity Act—Agreement: Senate resumed consideration of the amendment of the House of Representatives to the amendment of the Senate to H.R. 302, to provide protections for certain sports medicine professionals who provide certain medical services in a secondary State, taking action on the following motions and amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S6408–16**

Pending:

McConnell motion to concur in the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate to the bill. **Pages S6408–16**

McConnell motion to concur in the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate to the bill, with McConnell Amendment No. 4026 (to the motion to concur in the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate), to change the enactment date. **Pages S6408–16**

McConnell Amendment No. 4027 (to Amendment No. 4026), of a perfecting nature. **Pages S6408–16**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 90 yeas to 7 nays (Vote No. 219), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on McConnell motion to concur in the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate to the bill. **Page S6409**

McConnell motion to refer the House message to accompany the bill to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, with instructions, McConnell Amendment No. 4028, to change the enactment date, fell when cloture was invoked on McConnell motion to concur in the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate to the bill. **Pages S6408–09**

McConnell Amendment No. 4029 (the instructions (Amendment No. 4028) of the motion to refer), of a perfecting nature, fell when McConnell motion to refer the House message to accompany the bill to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, with instructions, McConnell Amendment No. 4028 (listed above) fell. **Pages S6408–09**

McConnell Amendment No. 4030 (to Amendment No. 4029), of a perfecting nature, fell when McConnell Amendment No. 4029 (the instructions (Amendment No. 4028) of the motion to refer) (listed above) fell. **Pages S6408–09**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that notwithstanding Rule XXII, all time

during Leader time and recess count post-cloture on the House message to accompany the bill.

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Appointments:

Social Security Advisory Board: The Chair, on behalf of the President pro tempore, and in consultation with the Ranking Member of the Senate Committee on Finance, pursuant to Public Law 103–296, appointed the following individual as a member of the Social Security Advisory Board: Robert Charles Joondeph of Oregon vice Bernadette Franks-Ongoy.

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Kavanaugh Nomination: Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Brett M. Kavanaugh, of Maryland, to be an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States.

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—219)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 3 p.m. and recessed at 6:39 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, October 2, 2018. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on pages S6415–16.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. The House is scheduled to meet in Pro Forma Session at 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, October 2, 2018.

Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D1066)

H.R. 6157, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019. Signed on September 28, 2018. (Public Law 115–245)

H.R. 589, to establish Department of Energy policy for science and energy research and development programs, and reform National Laboratory management and technology transfer programs. Signed on September 28, 2018. (Public Law 115–246)

H.R. 1109, to amend section 203 of the Federal Power Act. Signed on September 28, 2018. (Public Law 115–247)

S. 97, to enable civilian research and development of advanced nuclear energy technologies by private and public institutions, to expand theoretical and practical knowledge of nuclear physics, chemistry, and materials science. Signed on September 28, 2018. (Public Law 115–248)

S. 994, to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide for the protection of community centers with religious affiliation. Signed on September 28, 2018. (Public Law 115–249)

H.R. 6897, to extend the authorizations of Federal aviation programs, to extend the funding and expenditure authority of the Airport and Airway Trust Fund. Signed on September 29, 2018. (Public Law 115–250)

S. 3479, to amend title 38, United States Code, to extend certain expiring provisions of law administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs. Signed on September 29, 2018. (Public Law 115–251)

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY,
OCTOBER 2, 2018**

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: to hold hearings to examine implementation of the Economic Growth, Regulatory Relief, and Consumer Protection Act, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: business meeting to consider S. 32 and H.R. 857, bills to provide for conservation and enhanced recreation activities in the California Desert Conservation Area, S. 90 and H.R. 428, bills to survey the gradient boundary along the Red River in the States of Oklahoma and Texas, S. 414, to promote conservation, improve public land management, and provide for sensible development in Pershing County, Nevada, S. 441, to designate the Organ Mountains and other public land as components of the National Wilderness Preservation System in the State of New Mexico, S. 483, to designate and expand wilderness areas in Olympic National Forest in the State of Washington, and to designate certain rivers in Olympic National Forest and Olympic National Park as wild and scenic rivers, S. 569, to amend title 54, United States Code, to provide consistent and reliable authority for, and for the funding of, the Land and Water Conservation Fund to maximize the effectiveness of the Fund for future generations, S. 685, to authorize the Dry-Redwater Regional Water Authority System and the Musselshell-Judith Rural Water System in the States of Montana and North Dakota, S. 785, to amend the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act to provide for equitable allotment of land to Alaska Native veterans, S. 884, to amend the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1993 to require the Bureau of Land Management to provide a claimant of a small miner waiver from claim maintenance fees with a period of 60 days after written receipt of 1 or more defects is provided to the claimant by registered mail to cure the 1 or more defects or pay the claim maintenance fee, S. 941, to withdraw certain National Forest System land in the Emigrant Crevice area located in the Custer Gallatin National Forest, Park County, Montana, from the mining and mineral leasing laws of the United States, S. 966, to establish a program to accurately document vehicles that were significant in the history of the United States, S. 1012, to provide for drought preparedness measures in the State of New Mexico, S. 1149, to amend the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act to repeal a provision limiting the export of timber harvested from land conveyed to the Kake Tribal Corporation under that Act, S. 1219, to provide for stability of title to certain land in the State of Louisiana, S. 1403, to amend the Public Lands Corps Act of 1993 to establish the 21st Century Conservation Service Corps to place youth and veterans in national service positions to conserve, restore, and enhance the great outdoors of the United States, S. 1481, to make technical corrections to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, S. 1522 and H.R. 3186, bills to establish an Every Kid Outdoors program, S. 1548, to designate certain land administered by the Bureau of Land Management and the

Forest Service in the State of Oregon as wilderness and national recreation areas and to make additional wild and scenic river designations in the State of Oregon, S. 1572 and H.R. 3279, bills to amend the Mineral Leasing Act to provide that extraction of helium from gas produced under a Federal mineral lease shall maintain the lease as if the helium were oil and gas, S. 1787, to reauthorize the National Geologic Mapping Act of 1992, S. 1926 and H.R. 2156, bills to provide for the establishment of a national memorial and national monument to commemorate those killed by the collapse of the Saint Francis Dam on March 12, 1928, S. 1987 and H.R. 2600, bills to provide for the conveyance to the State of Iowa of the reversionary interest held by the United States in certain land in Pottawattamie County, Iowa, S. 2062, to require the Secretary of Agriculture to convey at market value certain National Forest System land in the State of Arizona, S. 2078 and H.R. 4257, bills to maximize land management efficiencies, promote land conservation, generate education funding, S. 2160, to establish a pilot program under the Chief of the Forest Service may use alternative dispute resolution in lieu of judicial review of certain projects, S. 2166 and H.R. 4465, bills to maintain annual base funding for the Upper Colorado and San Juan fish recovery programs through fiscal year 2023, to require a report on the implementation of those programs, S. 2249, to permanently reauthorize the Rio Puerco Management Committee and the Rio Puerco Watershed Management Program, S. 2290, to improve wildfire management operations and the safety of firefighters and communities with the best available technology, S. 2297, to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to transfer certain National Forest System land to Custer County, South Dakota, S. 2560, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to establish a program to facilitate the transfer to non-Federal ownership of appropriate reclamation projects or facilities, S. 2809, to establish the San Rafael Swell Western Heritage and Historic Mining National Conservation Area in the State of Utah, to designate wilderness areas in the State, to provide for certain land conveyances, S. 2831 and H.R. 5751, bills to redesignate Golden Spike National Historic Site and to establish the Transcontinental Railroad Network, S. 2870, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study of the site known as "Amache" in the State of Colorado, S. 2876, to amend the National Trails System Act to provide for the study of the Pike National Historic Trail, S. 2889 and H.R. 4895, bills to establish the Medgar Evers Home National Monument in the State of Mississippi, S. 2968, to amend the Energy Reorganization Act of 1974 to clarify whistleblower rights and protections, S. 3001 and H.R. 6040, bills to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain land and facilities of the Central Valley Project, S. 3088, to amend the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to require the Secretary of Energy to establish a program to prepare veterans for careers in the energy industry, including the solar, wind, cybersecurity, and other low-carbon emissions sectors or zero-emissions sectors of the energy industry, S. 3172, to amend title 54, United States Code, to establish, fund, and provide for the use of amounts in a National Park

Service Legacy Restoration Fund to address the maintenance backlog of the National Park Service, S. 3176 and H.R. 5979, bills to establish the Mill Springs Battlefield National Monument in the State of Kentucky as a unit of the National Park System, S. 3245, to require the Secretary of Agriculture to transfer certain National Forest System land in the State of Texas, S. 3287 and H.R. 5655, bills to establish the Camp Nelson Heritage National Monument in the State of Kentucky as a unit of the National Park System, H.R. 132, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain land and appurtenances of the Arbuckle Project, Oklahoma, to the Arbuckle Master Conservancy District, H.R. 1967, to amend the Reclamation Project Act of 1939 to authorize pumped storage hydropower development utilizing multiple Bureau of Reclamation reservoirs, H.R. 2075, to adjust the eastern boundary of the Deschutes Canyon-Steelhead Falls and Deschutes Canyon Wilderness Study Areas in the State of Oregon to facilitate fire prevention and response activities to protect private property, H.R.

2630, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain land to La Paz County, Arizona, and H.R. 4446, to amend the Virgin Islands of the United States Centennial Commission Act to extend the expiration date of the Commission, 10 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Finance: to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Andrew M. Saul, of New York, to be Commissioner of Social Security, 10:30 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Constitution, to hold hearings to examine threats to religious liberty around the world, 2:30 p.m., SD-226.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to receive a closed briefing on certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-216.

United States Senate Caucus on International Narcotics Control: to hold hearings to examine combating the trafficking of illegal fentanyl from China, 10 a.m., SD-226.

House

No hearings are scheduled.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

10 a.m., Tuesday, October 2

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

12:30 p.m., Tuesday, October 2

Senate Chamber

Program for Tuesday: Senate will continue Executive Session and consideration of the nomination of Brett M. Kavanaugh, of Maryland, to be an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States.

Senate will also continue consideration of the House message to accompany H.R. 302, Sports Medicine Licensure Clarity Act, post-cloture.

(Senate will recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m. for their respective party conferences.)

House Chamber

Program for Tuesday: The House will meet in Pro Forma session at 12:30 p.m.



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